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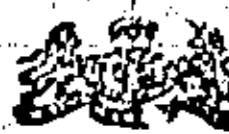
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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 31st, 1907.

The "barracking" and subsequent riotous damage at Lord's cricket ground last month has revived a discussion the stolidness of which never seems to imply lack of interest. It always provokes heated debate. That is because cricket no longer means merely two parties contesting: the spectators now constitute a third party which apparently claims as of right a deep concern in the arrangements. A correspondent writing to a London daily trusts that the incident may lead to the removal of the following abuses, which are becoming increasingly irritating to spectators at cricket matches.

First, and generally, the players never come into the field at the appointed time, and very frequently leave it before the half-hour, or hour, arrives.

Next, the obnoxious habit of having "trial" balls on-change of bowlers. Why should not the batsmen have a few "trial" balls?

And lastly, the "tea interval" farce and the "bad light" absurdity.

All the time lost by these subterfuges irritates—ever exasperates—the cricketing public.

Others write, in the interests of sport, strongly condemning the interference of the mob which, from under the shelter of its umbrellas, haws for the game to go on even in a downpour. It is evident that the question is one of gammonery. People have come and paid to see a show, and the ques-

tion is whether the two elevens have come to play cricket or to provide the show paid for. Ten years ago that brilliant journalist Mr. A. T. Quiller-Couch presented the points for and against. He said cricket had become a business concern, and that there was now less thought of what was due to sport than due to the public. Spectators grumbled if stumps were drawn early for any reason, and a captain's orders were canvassed and challenged; his choice of team, club disputes, and all sorts of petty details were debated in the parlour of the sporting column. Prince Banjitsinji in his book on cricket admitted that "certain obligations towards the spectators have to be taken into consideration," and he even went so far as to say that captains "are under an obligation to the public to see that the match is played in such a way as the public has a reasonable right to expect." The situation has grown worse since then, and the "tea interval" is now understood to be lengthened so that captains and other players may write their telegraphic reports and comments for that section of the public which does not pay at the gate, but gets it all for a halfpenny in the morning. Cricket is no longer an affair of "flannelled fools"; if it ever was, but an affair of umbrellaed idiots. C. B. Fry says nothing is more certain than that the attitude of a certain class of spectator of first class cricket matches has become a disgrace to English sport, while a contemporary discussing the scene at the Middlesex and Lancashire match, says:

"'Fly the Game'" is the cry of the Unwashed, who could not play it themselves if they tried. The referee gets a warm time if his decisions are contrary to their liking, and mob law is soon put into force. Professional football is responsible for a good deal of this spirit. The leading association clubs are admittedly run on a money-making basis, with every attention paid to the commercial details. And a clever wing man is looked on, not as a clever exponent of the game, but as a sycophant with the crowd. That many of these lookers-on know a good deal of the game does not alter the fact. They want the game according to their ideas. Who pays the piper calls the tune. Which is quite opposed to the idea of sport, the leading maxim of which is let the best man win.

Yet it is to be noted, that neither the members of the Club nor the public that comes to watch it really "play the game," fond as they are of adjuring those who do. In fact they often take charge, and, so far as interfere with the game. There was the notable instance, quite recently, in the Middlesex and Lancashire match. It was very many and longs are notoriously bad pitch in wet weather. The slippery ground yellowed out for cricket. The captain and umpires decided that cricket was impossible and drew the stumps, with the result that the irate mob trampled over the pitch and so damaged it that MacLean refused to play at all on the third day. The fatuous behaviour of the crowd's behaviour is that from under umbrellas it still tried to cut the players to "fly the game," raised shouts of "Good Bye Cricket," ironically singing "Auld Lang Syne." Perhaps the provision of muzzles, gags, and manacles, free, and to be used by every spectator who cannot produce a certificate of having passed standard III in the game, might meet the case.

This last suggestion might have been made at a recent waterpolo match at Hongkong, where the spectators were certainly not animated by the laudable desire to see the better team win. The majority of the spectators belonged to the Victoria Recreation Club, at whose premises the match was played. The competing teams were the Corinthian Yacht Club's team and a team of soldiers. If the former won, the ultimate success in the competition of the V. R. C. team was deemed to be less likely, so the V. R. C. spectators gave vent to their feelings as if their own champions were engaged at the time. Such feelings were natural and excusable, but it was not good sport to show them in that way. Here too the chief offenders were not players, but non-playing members of the V. R. C. whose anxiety to have their club retain the shield blinded them to the bad taste of their demonstrations. The teams themselves, and the individual players, got on together, and do get on, we are glad to say, without this show of acerbity. The non-playing spectators with leather lungs who keeps bawling "foul, foul," and thus disturbing the umpire, is an unmitigated nuisance. He is certainly not the sportsman he thinks he is, and the sooner his type is subdued, the better it will be for sport.

Practice for the Interport Rifle match will commence on Saturday, 7th September at King's Park Range.

An inquiry will be held on Monday at the Magistracy into the circumstances touching the death of a diver at Hunghom.

Sanitary Inspector Hallen yesterday summoned a local coolie for damaging the lamp of his motor bicycle to the extent of \$6 by carelessly running the shafts of his vehicle against the lamp. Mr. Hazelton ordered the coolie to pay \$3.

Theodore Thomas, who represented himself as foreman in the employ of the Sanitary Department and got small sum of money from Chinese, was yesterday sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr. C. D. Malbourn. There were two previous convictions against him.

The case in which a Police Court clerk was charged with accepting a bribe was concluded before Mr. Malbourn at the Magistracy yesterday. At the previous hearing Mr. Goldring, on behalf of the defendant, argued that the money was received in recognition of services rendered and not as a bribe to influence his discharge. His Worship took this view and discharged the defendant.

The Deutsche Japan Post announces that the First Secretary to the American Embassy in Tokyo, Mr. Percival Dodge, who was prominently active for eight years at the American Embassy in Berlin, has been appointed Minister of the United States to the Central American republics of Honduras and Salvador.

Mr. Dodge, who will conduct the affairs of the Embassy in Tokyo immediately after Ambassador Wright's departure, plans to proceed to his new post in October, shortly after the arrival of the American Ambassador, Mr. O'Brien.

Lady Blake, wife of the ex-Governor of Ceylon, is a sister of the Duchess of St. Albans, and the daughter of that remarkable Parliament man, the late Ralph Osborne, who "sat" for so many places that Mr. Disraeli once really forgot which of them his hon. friend represented at that particular moment. Ralph Osborne became Ralph Osborne the day before his marriage, in 1844, with the only child of Sir Thomas Osborne, an Irish baronet. The elder of the two daughters of this marriage married Mr. Henry Arthur Blake, then Governor of the Bahamas, the younger became Duchess of St. Albans in 1874.

"Immobility is now the ideal of our lives," remarked the Telegraph's correspondent accompanying Prince Scipio Borghese in the Peking-Paris automobile race on July 16th. He had been spending most of the time at Omsk in sleeping. He fell asleep while walking in the street and lay for a long time unconscious. The travellers were extremely weary upon reaching Omsk. They had not felt it while the necessity for constant vigilance kept their faculties strained, but 34 days' continuous fatigue, with an average of not more than four hours' sleep daily, was naturally exhausting. Prince Borghese, who is described as having a frame of iron and nerves of steel, quickly recovered.

The Kaiser is a power in German politics, but "Justices Gascoigne" will sit on the German judicial Bench, and the law in its own sphere is a power above the Kaiser. Recently His Majesty has had four lawsuits before the Courts; he has lost three outright, and has only won a Pyrrhic victory in the fourth. One was that of a more-or-less keeper at Remington, where the Kaiser is fond of hunting, against the rumpus, i.e., breach of contract by his agent. Boniface won. Out of this a second case arose on an Imperial application for forfeiture of the man's licence, which was refused. A dispute with a railway company about a station at Cadinen has been decided in the company's favour, and an Imperial claim against a farmer has been set down, the Emperor to pay his own costs.

The Bishop of London presiding at the annual meeting of the Poor Clergy Relief Corporation said the necessity of such a fund was a great blot on the Church. He considered it a shame that they had to give in charity what their hard-working brethren had the right to demand as a living wage. He put the position of the poor clergy down to three or four causes. One was the neglect of the laity. Men who were generous in other ways put the support of the clergy last. There was also the enormous growth of population in the nation, and the consequent formation of new parishes. They were building forty churches in London at the present moment. No fewer than 215 churches had been built in London in the last twenty years.

It is reported on the Yokohama kerosene market that competition is about to take place between the Rising Sun Kerosene Oil Co. (belonging to Messrs. Samuel Samuel and Co.), the Standard Oil Co., and the South American Petroleum Oil Co., of Yokohama. The Rising Sun Kerosene Oil Co. has been importing oil in bulk for fifteen years past and is carrying on a very successful business. Last year the firm purchased the Asano Tank Oil Co. and further extended its business establishing over forty branches throughout the Empire. As a further enterprise the firm is contemplating establishing a factory in a western centre for refining crude oil from Sumatra. The Standard Oil Co. intends to import oil in bulk with a view to securing some of the business of the Rising Sun Oil Co. The South American Oil Co. will shortly provide factories on a large scale, to refine in Japan, American crude oils. The registered capital of the Rising Sun Oil Co. is a hundred million yen.

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What it calls the "Felicitous determination of the Korean Emperor," the "Soul Press" thus announces:—Under date of August 15th another felicitous Imperial edict was proclaimed here. In the message H. M. the Emperor expresses his determination to mark the beginning of his reign with administrative and other reforms and to set the example to his subjects by doing what he can to that end. As the first step His Majesty proposes to cut his hair on the occasion of the formal celebration of his accession to the Throne and to dress himself in military uniform from that time.

Recent wet weather called to the mind of a Poona correspondent, a practical joke that was played in the Western India Club many years ago. When the chambers were not so well built as they are now, and the members living in those chambers in rainy weather had difficulty in finding a dry corner for their beds, comparing notes after one particularly rainy night, the only man who had not been woken by a leaking roof was not at all sympathetic with his neighbours and boasted of his great luck in securing the best room, a subject which he constantly alluded to throughout the following day. The following night was again wet, and just before bed-time three pieces of ice were carefully placed on the top of this erstwhile forunate man's mosquito curtains. He was heard moving the bed all round his room till the early hours of the morning, and was found sleeping underneath it when called upon by quite a crowd of fellow members who came to enquire how he had slept!

## "DUMPING" DECREASING.

## GOOD EFFECT OF CHINESE LECTURES.

The lectures on the dumping evil, conducted by a number of leading Chinese citizens at the Ko Shing theatre sometime ago, have borne good fruit. Last month no fewer than thirty-three Chinese infants were handed over to the Tongwa Hospital for burial, while many coolies on the verge of death were taken there for treatment. So pleased are the gentlemen concerned with the result of their efforts that they have decided to pay a qualified man to tour the city with the object of continuing the lectures and making known the requirements of the law to the great mass of the Chinese population.

## THE VOLUNTEERS.

The latest orders announce that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint John Whitlam Harley, M.B., B.S., to Surgeon-Lieutenant with effect from the 21st August, and that the following have joined the Corps: Messrs. P. Linton, G. A. T. Cousins, M. Gourlay, D. Johnson, R. Paterson, Guineer R. F. Bray is permitted to resign, and Gunner T. G. Turnbull is granted

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## STABBING AFFRAY IN THE HARBOUR.

## FIVE EUROPEANS ARRESTED.

The signal lights hoisted from the steamer *Indraeville* in the early hours of yesterday morning told the Water Police that their presence was wanted on board. The police, promptly steamed to the vessel, where Inspector Kerr found two men in irons and learned that the third officer, named Thorpe, had been stabbed by one of the ship's crew. The circumstances of the affair are as follows. The *Indraeville* had arrived in port a few days ago from New York and on Thursday morning the crew were given leave to go ashore. They returned to the steamer about one or two o'clock yesterday morning, but before stepping on the gangway they had a dispute with the sampan man as to the fare. As their remarks were spoken in rather a loud voice and as their language was not of the most refined nature, the third officer came down the gangway and told the man to make less noise as there were passengers on board. They resented his interference and one of them struck the officer. On deck a scuffle ensued, the allegation being that the man, who were in a drunken condition, attacked the officer, one man using a knife. In a short time the captain came on deck and knocked down a man who was holding the officer. The men then retired and it was found that the third officer had been stabbed with a knife on the head, back and side. Two of the men were placed in iron. The doctor from the *Siberia* dressed the injuries of the wounded man, who was afterwards removed to the hospital. Five European seamen were arrested, and they will be brought up at the Magistrate to-day.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 30th at 11.50 a.m.—The barometer is inclined to fall over the Philippines. It has risen elsewhere, particularly over N. China and Japan.

The depression lying over Hokkaido yesterday has moved away Northwards.

Pressure appears to be high over China to the North of the Upper Yangtze. It is relatively low over the N. part of the China Sea.

Moderate N.E. winds are expected to prevail in the Formosa Channel and moderate variable winds over the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.27 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood Variable N.E. winds, light or moderate every.

Formosa Channel . . . . . Moderate N.E. winds.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau . . . . . Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan . . . . . Same as No. 1.

Hongkong Woodcock, Dassett-Coffe, Fruits.

## TELEGRAMS.

## ["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

## AGRARIAN AGITATION IN IRELAND.

LONDON, August 30th. Crimes, the outcome of the present agrarian agitation in Ireland, are increasing.

## DISASTER IN QUEBEC.

LONDON, August 30th. A bridge in course of construction in Quebec collapsed. There were ninety killed and injured.

## THE PARCELS POST.

TOKYO, August 30th. To-day's official Gazette publishes the parcels post agreement with Hongkong. The date when it comes into operation will be decided later.

## [REUTER'S SERVICE.]

## THE "COMMONWEALTH" GROUNDED.

LONDON, August 27th. H.M.S. *Commonwealth*, which grounded entering Lamalash has arrived at Devonport leaking, and with some plates dented.

## THE JAPANESE CRUISERS IN ITALY.

LONDON, August 27th. Admiral Ijuji and the officers of the *Takuba* and *Chitose* have been received in audience by King Victor Emanuel at Racconigi.

## IRELAND.

LONDON, August 27th. The *Dublin Gazette* publishes proclamations under the Constabulary Act, authorizing the Viceroy to declare a county or a district in a state of disturbance, and to send extra police to the counties so proclaimed.

## RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

LONDON, August 28th. Petersburg denies the newspaper report that Russia has secretly agreed to make Japan further concessions in Northern Manchuria with the inclusion of the Sungari Valley in Japan's sphere of influence.

## PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT.

LONDON, August 28th. Parliament is prorogued. The King in his speech from the throne, said that relations with Foreign Powers continue friendly, and he trusts that the Hague Conference will result in agreement tending to mitigate the evils of war and to secure the peace of the world. His Majesty, referring to his review of the Home Fleet said he was profoundly impressed by the efficient condition of ships and the fine bearing and discipline of the officers and men. Referring to Prince Fusihina, His Majesty expressed gratification at the visit of His Royal Highness, on a special mission from my ally, the Emperor of Japan, to convey the thanks of His Majesty for the order of the Garter.

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LONDON, August 28th. 1. Wuffy. 2. Bibioni. 3. The Page.

## WATER POLO SHIELD COMPETITION.

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club met the Royal



## NOTICE.

Communications respecting Advertisements, Subscriptions, Printing, &c., should be addressed to THE MANAGER. Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not ordered for a fixed period will be continued until countermanded. Telegraphic Address: Press, Codes: A.B.C., 6th Ed. Lieber's. P.O. Box, 83. Telephone No. 12.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Hotel on SATURDAY, the 14th September, 1907, at 12.30 P.M., for the purpose of Recieving a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 30th June, 1907, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 14th September, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

C. MOONEY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1907. 1429

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

For SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN"

Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 3rd Sept., at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1907. 1430



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR RIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT), Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT-SAUD.

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THE Company's Steamship

"VORWALTS."

Captain B. Bednarz, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 20th September.

This Steamer has spandit accommodation for passengers, electric light, and carries a doctor and stewardess.

For information as to Passage and Freight apply to

SANDER, WIELER & Co.

Agents, Princes Buildings.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1907. 1407

THE NORTH CHINA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "WYNERIC," From SEATTLE and MANILA.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & Co., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1907. 1407

TRANSLATED NOVELS (some illustrated) Addresses—Photos—catalogue free, or with sample, 2d. (letter postage).—A. De SAILLE, 20, Rue de la Michodière, Paris. 1264

NOTICE.

BILLS for all Monies due by me should be presented to me on or before the 15th September, 1907. All outstanding accounts due to me, if not settled on or before the 15th September, 1907, will be passed into the hands of my Solicitors.

J. W. OSBORNE.

Hongkong, 15th July, 1907. 1181

STEAM LAUNDRY.

FOR the convenience of KOWLOON RESIDENTS a dépôt has been opened at No. 15, MacDonnell Road, near the Ferry Wharf. All linen banded in at this dépôt must be taken delivery of from there.

R. WOOD,

Manager.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1907. 1402

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

SCHOOL DUTIES will be RESUMED

on MONDAY, 2nd September. For Terms, apply to

THE HEADMASTER.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1907. 1424

FRENCH LESSONS.

FRENCH TAUGHT entirely by Conversation and without translation by a Frenchman (a Teacher in Government Schools) and ENGLISH LESSONS by an English Lady.

Apply by letter to—

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Hongkong, 13th November, 1906. 1343

IRON MERCHANTS.

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DEALERS in Iron, Steel, Metals, Hardware, Munt's Metal, Steel Boiler and Ship Plates, Pig-Iron, Coke and General Merchants. No. 25, Wing Wo Street (Lane from 171, Queen's Road to 163, Des Vaux Road Central) Telephone No. 613. Hongkong, 1st March, 1907. 478

## INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FOURTH MEETING of the Season will be held at the Happy Valley, THURSDAY (SATURDAY), 31st August, 1907, commencing at 4 P.M.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present. Post Entries will be accepted for event No. 5. REGINALD F. C. MASTRE, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer Hongkong, 27th August, 1907. 1416

## NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having tendered their Resignation, beg to inform the Public in General that they will cease from SATURDAY, the 31st instant, to be the Agents in the Colony of the AGENCIA DO BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO, Macau.

ROZARIO & CO.  
Hongkong, 22nd August, 1907. 1379

BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO.

THE Agency of the above Bank in Hongkong will from the 1st of September, 1907, be transferred to MESSRS. ARRAUTOON V. APCAR & CO., in the place and stead of Messrs. ROZARIO & CO.

Dated the 21st August, 1907.  
O Gerente da Agencia  
Do BANCO NACIONAL ULTRAMARINO,  
1383 JOAQUIM L. G. GOMES.

## NOTICE.

Notice is HEREBY GIVEN that Series Certificate No. 9, marked WONG, bearing date the 27th March 1899, for Five Shares numbered 3446/3450 and registered in this Company in the name of HO POON-SHEK of Hongkong has been LOST and if at the expiration of Two Months from the date hereof the above document be not forthcoming, a New Series Certificate will be issued to the said Mr. HO POON-SHEK and thereafter no other series will be acknowledged by this Company.

Dated the 12th day of August 1907.  
THE TUNG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

1340 TONG TZU SAU Secretary.  
OREGON PINE LUMBER.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LIMITED have always in stock a supply of the above in all sizes. Prices may be obtained on application.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

IT is proposed to form an Infantry Company with a Detachment of Cyclists. All who are desirous of joining are requested to apply personally at the VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS, morning or afternoon.

A. J. THOMPSON, Captain, Staff Officer H.K.V.C. Hongkong, 27th July, 1907. 1285

DOCTOR WANTED.

D. R. WELLADAY, Surgeon S.S. "AUSTRALIAN," due here early in September, desires SUBSTITUTE OR EXCHANGE for Three Months.

Address Du WELLADAY, Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 26th August, 1907. 1403

WANTED.

YOUNG ENGLISHMAN with Knowledge of Bookkeeping and some Mercantile experience.—Apply

"OFFICE" Care of "Daily Press" Office. Hongkong, 23rd August, 1907. 1336

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN SHORTHAND?

PITMANIC—GRAHAM and MUNSON Contractions.

HORATIO C. POLLOCK a Court Reporter

OPENS A NIGHT SCHOOL On September 1st.

Apply CONNAUGHT HOTEL, Hongkong, 20th August, 1907. 1431

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TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of 50,000 (Fifty Thousand) AUSTRALIAN HARD WOOD SLEEPERS composed of

MURRAY RED GUM

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Sizes of Sleepers: 8 ft. long by 9 in. wide by 5 in. thick.

Price in Hongkong currency C.I.F. Wong-sa Railway Wharf, Canton.

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All Sleepers must be accompanied by a Government Certificate.

All Tenders must be accompanied with 500 dollars.

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

THE KWONGTUNG MERCANTILE ADMINISTRATION OF THE YUET HAN RAILWAY CO., LTD. Canton, 28th August, 1907. 1418

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Each film can be removed and developed separately.

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## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

CHONGMING, British str., 30th Aug.—Canton.  
DAGYU, Norwegian str., 3rd August—Canton.  
FERNDALE, British str., 2,233, 29th August  
Java 20th August, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.  
GLENGOLE, British str., 2,389, W. T. Larkins, 30th August—Singapore 24th August, General-Chinese.  
HANGZHOU, British str., 30th Aug.—Canton.  
MEIFOO, Chinese str., 30th August—Canton.  
TEHRAN, British str., 1,346, A. Sommerville, 30th August—Manila 13th August, General—Butterfield & Swire.  
TJIBOED, Dutch str., 2,953, P. Zwart 30th August—Amoy 28th August, General—Java-China-Japan Linen.  
VANCOUVER, British str., 2,500, 29th August—Newcastle, Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.  
WYNNER, British str., 4,993, W. C. Dent, 29th Aug.—Pagan Sound via Manila 26th August—Flour—Doddwell & Co.

## CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

Carl Diederichs, German str., for Hoichow.  
Chingking, British str., for Amoy.  
Eastern, British str., for Australian Ports.  
Shaohsing, British str., for Swatow.  
Siberia, American str., for San Francisco.  
Vonvorta, German str., for Hoichow.

## DEPARTURES.

30th August.  
AMARA, British str., for Shanghai.  
CHATEAUBRUY, Russian str., for Shanghai.  
GLENFARO, British str., for Karatsu.  
HAICHENG, British str., for Swatow.  
LANDSAT SCHIFFE, German str., for Saigon.  
LOOSOK, German str., for Swatow.  
PHIAM, British str., for Saigon.  
YUNNANIA, German str., for Shanghai.  
SHIBETOKO MARU, Jap. str., for Senrakya.  
SKANSSTAD, Norwegian str., for Saigon.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Glenfaro* reports: Fine throughout fresh to moderate S. W. winds up to 180° S of Gap Rock, light and variable from there in.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

August 30th.  
ANNEDEN DOCKS.—Zafiro, *Vigilante*, Hercules, H.M.S. *Flora*, Kai org. *Chau Hing*.  
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## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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## "EASTERN."

Capt. McArthur will be despatched as above TO-DAY, the 31st inst., at NOON.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Freight or Passage apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1907. 1314

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

## "AUSTRALIEN."

Captain Verron, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 2nd September.

For Freight, or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agents.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1907. 2

CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

FOR SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO.

THE Steamship

## "DAPHNE."

Capt. E. Schipper, will be despatched for the above Ports via Kuchinotan, JAPAN, on THURSDAY, the 5th September, at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO., LTD., Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1907. 1413

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (Florio and Rubattino United Companies).

STEAM FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, POKE AND PENANG.

Having connection with Company's Mai Steamer to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MIAMI, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA, also VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, AEGEAN, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN Ports up to CALLAO. Taking cargo at through rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENCIA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

## "ISCHIA."

Captain Dini, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 11th Sept., at NOON. At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1907. 4

THE RUSSIAN VOLUNTEER FLEET.

For ODESSA.

THE Steamship

## "KOSTROMA."

will be ready to load here as above Middle of October.

For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th August, 1907. 1426

## VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "a," nearest Hongkong "b," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "c," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "d," together with the number denoting the section.

## NOTICES.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. 3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

| DESTINATION                                   | VESSEL'S NAME    | FLAG & BIG | BERTH | CAPTAIN                   | FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO          | TO BE DESPATCHED         |
|---|------------------|------------|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL...         | MARMORA          | Brit. str. | —     | G. H. C. Weston, R.N.R.   | P. & O. S. N. CO.             | On 7th Sept., at Noon.   |
| LONDON & ANDERSON VIA SINGAPORE, &c. ....     | UNTON            | Brit. str. | —     | G. W. Babot               | P. & O. S. N. CO.             | About 11th September.    |
| MARSEILLES &c. VIA PORT OF CALL...            | POLYNESIEN       | Frenstr.   | Broc  | MELCHERS & CO.            | MARSEILLES MARITIMES.         | On 3rd Sept., at 1 P.M.  |
| MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN                | TRANQUEBAR       | Dan. str.  | —     | MELCHERS & CO.            | MELCHERS & CO.                | Middle of September.     |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITES, &c. ....        | STYXONIA         | Ger. str.  | k.w.  | Willemsberg               | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 22nd September.       |
| NAPLES, LONDON, PLYMOUTH, HAVRE & HAMBURG     | BERGOLATIA       | Ger. str.  | k.w.  | Hildebrandt               | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 19th October.         |
| NAPLES, GERDA, GIBRALTAIR, SOUTHAMPTON &c.    | HABSBURG         | Ger. str.  | k.w.  | Villor                    | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 6th September.        |
| NAPLES, T. E. FRIEDRICH                       | RHENANIA         | Ger. str.  | k.w.  | H. Hoff                   | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 2nd October.          |
| HOBENSTAUFEN                                  | HOHENSTAUFEN     | Ger. str.  | E. —  | E. Malchow                | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 11th Sept., at Noon.  |
| ODESA   | KOSTROMA         | Rus. str.  | E. —  | B. Bednarz                | SANDER, WIEDER & CO.          | About 20th September.    |
| NEW YORK                                      | SATHUMA          | Brit. str. | —     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.       | DODWELL & CO., LTD.           | Middle of October.       |
| BOSTON & NEW YORK                             | TARTAB           | Brit. str. | —     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.       | DODWELL & CO., LTD.           | On 7th September.        |
| VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI JAPAN, &c. ....        | EMPEROR OF CHINA | Brit. str. | —     | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.   | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.       | On 14th Sept., at Noon.  |
| VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN            | TREMONT          | Am. str.   | —     | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.   | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.       | On 26th Sept., at 4 P.M. |
| SALINA CRUZ, MEXICO VIA JAPAN                 | DAPHNE           | Ger. str.  | —     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.       | DODWELL & CO., LTD.           | On 10th September.       |
| CALLAO AND IQUIQUE, VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c. .... | KASATO MARU      | Jap. str.  | —     | CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO. | CHINA COMMERCIAL S.S. CO.     | On 5th Sept., at 5 P.M.  |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA PORT DARWIN &c. ....     | EASTERN          | Aus. str.  | —     | TOYO KISEN KAISHA         | TOYO KISEN KAISHA             | Middle of October.       |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA                   | TRINAN           | Brit. str. | —     | GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.    | GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.        | To-day, at Noon.         |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA                   | JEINZ SIGISMUND  | Ger. str.  | —     | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE       | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | On 7th Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| VINE BRANCH                                   | CHINGTU          | Brit. str. | —     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.       | DODWELL & CO., LTD.           | On 12th Sept., at Noon.  |
| INDIA   | PRINZ WALDEMARS  | Dan. str.  | —     | W. B. Brown               | W. B. Brown                   | About 10th Sept.         |
| JAPAN   | TJINNI           | Dut. str.  | —     | W. von Senden             | MELCHERS & CO.                | On 10th Sept., at 4 P.M. |
| TIENT SIN                                     | CHONGSHING       | Brit. str. | —     | H. Koops                  | MELCHERS & CO.                | Middle of September.     |
| CHEFOO & TIENT SIN                            | HULCHOW          | Brit. str. | —     | S. J. Payne               | JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINI         | About 18th October.      |
| CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG                            | KWEIYANG         | Brit. str. | —     | E. Forsyth                | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. | Quick despatch.          |
| SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW                           | WAISHING         | Brit. str. | —     | Dowson                    | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | To-day, at 4 P.M.        |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA                     | AUSTRALIAN       | Brit. str. | —     | W. F. Richard             | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. | On 7th Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| SHANGHAI                                      | HANGSHANG        | Brit. str. | —     | Vernon                    | MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.        | TO-morrow, at Daylight   |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA           | DELTA            | Brit. str. | —     | Spencer Wilds             | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. | About 2nd September.     |
| SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA               | GORDEN           | Ger. str.  | —     | C. L. Daniel, R.N.R.      | P. & O. S. N. CO.             | On 3rd Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA                     | MANILA           | Brit. str. | —     | B. Wilhelm                | MELCHERS & CO.                | About 5th September.     |
| TAKAO VIA SWATOW, ANJOU & ANPING              | BRISGAVIA        | Ger. str.  | —     | F. E. Andrews, R.N.R.     | P. & O. S. N. CO.             | About 10th September.    |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI                             | FUKUSHIMA MARU   | Jap. str.  | —     | Solmer                    | GIRAFENBRÄN                   | On 14th September.       |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI                             | SHAOSHING        | Brit. str. | —     | E. Ito                    | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE         | On 26th September.       |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI                             | LINAN            | Brit. str. | —     | F. D. Northcombe          | OSSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA          | On 4th Sept., at 10 A.M. |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI                             | HAITAN           | Brit. str. | —     | Williams                  | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | To-day, at Noon.         |
| SWATOW & SHANGHAI                             | YUCHOW           | Brit. str. | —     | J. H. Brown               | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. | On 3rd Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY                      | DAIJIN MARU      | Jap. str.  | —     | I. Sakurai                | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | On 6th Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| HOIHOW & HAIPHONG                             | SINGAN           | Brit. str. | —     | F. Wheeler                | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA           | To-morrow, at 10 A.M.    |
| MANILA  | LOONGSANG        | Brit. str. | —     | A. Sommerville            | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | To-morrow, at 4 P.M.     |
| MANILA  | TEAN             | Brit. str. | —     | R. Almond                 | SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.           | To-day, at 3 P.M.        |
| MANILA  | ZAFIRO           | Brit. str. | —     | E. Finlayson              | SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.           | On 3rd Sept., at 4 P.M.  |
| CEBU & ILHOLO                                 | RUBI             | Brit. str. | —     | F. Scobell                | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE           | On 7th September.        |
| JESSELTON, KUDAT & SANDAKAN                   | KAITONG          | Brit. str. | —     | E. J. Buller              | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. | On 3rd Sept., at 9 A.M.  |
| SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA                  | BORNEO           | Brit. str. | —     | Dini                      | CARLOWITZ & CO.               | On 11th Sept., at 3 P.M. |
| BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG                 | KUMBANG          | Ital. str. | —     | Zwart                     | JAYA-CHINA-JAPAN LINI         | About 4th September.     |
| BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c. ....         | TIJODAS          | Dut. str.  | —     |                           |                               |                          |



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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
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| Capt. F. E. Andrews, R.N.L.       | HALL BLYTH & Co., London, E.C. |                  |                            |
| SHANGHAI                          | DELTA                          | About 5th Sept.  | Freight and Passage        |
| Capt. C. L. Daniel                |                                |                  |                            |
| LONDON via USUAL PORTS            | MARMORA                        | Noon, 7th Sept.  | See Special Advertisement. |
| Capt. G. H. C. Weston, R.N.L.     |                                |                  |                            |
| LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE  | CEYLON                         | About 11th Sept. | Freight and Passage        |
| Capt. G. W. Babol                 |                                |                  |                            |
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|--|-------------|-----------------------|
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| MANILA   | "TEAN"      | On 3rd Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| SWATOW and SHANGHAI  | "LINAN"     | On 3rd Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| CEBU and ILLOO   | "KAIFONG"   | On 3rd Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| SWATOW and SHANGHAI  | "YOCHEW"    | On 6th Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| CHEFOO and TIENSIN   | "HUICHOW"   | On 7th Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOK TOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE | "TSINAN"    | On 7th Sept., 4 P.M.  |
| CHEFOO and NEWCHWANG   | "KWEIYANG"  | On 16th Sept., 4 P.M. |
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|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| * TAMSIU VIA SWATOW ("DAIJIN MARU") | SUNDAY, 1st Sept.  |
| AND AMOY                            | at 10 A.M.         |
| Capt. I. SAKURAI                    |                    |
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| "EMPEROR OF INDIA" | 6,000 | THURSDAY, 24th Oct.   | 11th Nov.        |
| "MONTEAGLE"        | 6,163 | WEDNESDAY, 6th Nov.   | 30th Nov.        |
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| FOR  | STEAMERS                      | TO SAIL                           |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| JESSELTON, KUDAT and SANDAKAN                      | "BORNEO"                      | Tuesday, 3rd September, at 9 A.M. |
| Capt. F. SEMBILL                                   |                               |                                   |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA              | "GOESEN"                      | About Tuesday, 10th Sept.         |
| NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP     | Capt. B. WILHELM              |                                   |
| MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE | "PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH"       | Wednesday 11th Sept., at Noon     |
| Capt. E. MALCHOW                                   |                               |                                   |
| YOKOHAMA and KOBE                                  | "PRINZ SIGISMUND"             | Thursday, 12th Sept., at Noon     |
| Capt. D. LENZ                                      |                               |                                   |
| "PRINZ WELDEMAR"                                   | About Thursday, 18th October. |                                   |
| Capt. W. V. SENDEF                                 |                               |                                   |

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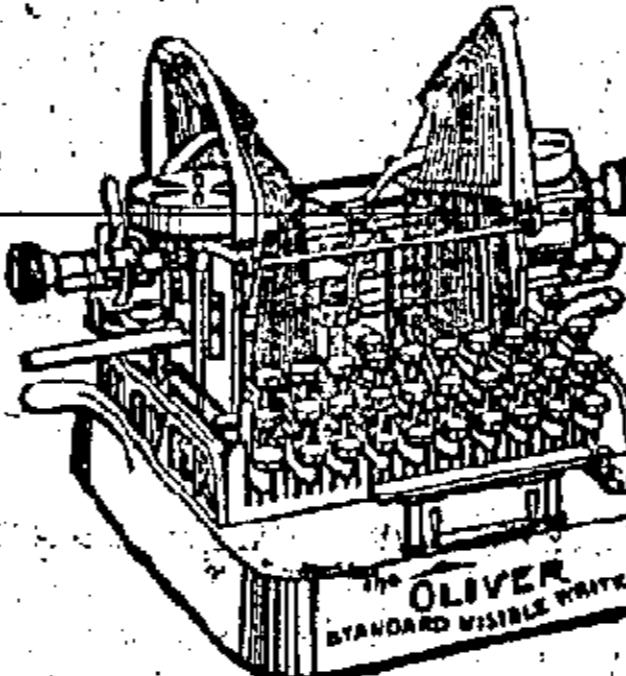
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The Siberia, sailing on the 31st instant, will not call at Shanghai.

The Australian, with the French mail of the 2nd instant, left Saigon on Friday, the 30th instant, at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on Monday, the 2nd prox, at daylight. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 29th June.

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Gymkhana Meeting, Happy Valley, 4 p.m.

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CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

August 30th.

ON LONDON—  
Telegraphic Transfer.....  
Bank Bills, on demand.....  
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight.....  
Credit, at 4 months' sight.....  
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight 2/3ON P.R.I.—  
Bank Bills, on demand.....  
Cre. it, at 4 months' sight.....  
ON GERMANY—  
on demand.....  
ON NEW YORK—  
P. & T. Bills, on demand.....  
Credit, at 60 days' sight.....  
ON BOMBAY—  
Telegraphic Transfer.....  
Bank, on demand.....  
ON CALCUTTA—  
Telegraphic Transfer.....  
Bank, on demand.....  
ON SHANGHAI—  
Bank, at sight.....  
P. & T., 30 days' sight.....  
ON YOKOHAMA—On demand.....  
ON N.I.L.—On demand—Peros—108  
ON FINCAJORE—On demand.....  
ON HUATSAV—On demand.....  
ON HAIFONG—On demand.....  
ON SAIGON—On demand.....  
ON BANGKOK—On demand.....  
SOVEREIGN—Bank's Buying Rate.....  
GOLD & SILVER—100 fine, per troy.....  
BAR SILVER, per oz.....  
SUBSIDARY COINS—  
per cent.  
Chinese 20 cents pieces.....  
10 " " 7.55  
Hongkong 20 " " 6.75  
10 " " 6.85

August 30th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M.M. str. *Australie* with the next French Mail, left Saigon on 30th inst. at 7 a.m. for this port.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China str. *Gregory Apoor* from Calcutta left Singapore on 29th inst. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd prox. a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Manchuria* sailed from Yokohama on 27th inst., and is due here on the 5th prox.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The I.G.M. str. *Maria* left Sydney on Tuesday the 27th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 19th prox. a.m.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The Ben Line str. *Bengaluru* from Antwerp and London left Singapore on 27th inst. for this port.The P. & O. str. *Maria* left Singapore for this port on 28th inst. at 10 a.m.The N.Y.K. str. *Kagoshima Maru* (Bombay Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manilla on the 22nd inst., and is expected here on the 2nd prox. a.m.The N.G.I. str. *Iochiai* left Singapore for this port on 29th inst. morning, and may be expected here on or about the 5th prox.The P. & O. str. *Maria* left Singapore for this port on 28th inst. at 10 a.m.The N.Y.K. str. *Yewata Maru* (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manilla on the 22nd inst., and is expected here on the 7th prox.The N.Y.K. str. *Totomi Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Tuincorin, Colombo and Singapore on the 24th instant, and is expected here on the 14th prox.The E. & A. str. *Alderman* from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on 22nd inst. for Manila and this port.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

August 3rd—*Achilles*, *Antenor*, *Sydney*, *Orkney*, *Bennetton*, *Brassey*, *Manila*, *Oceanien*, *Perth*, *Meridian*, *Pera*, *Menelaus*, *Tumba Maru*, *Cardiganshire*, *21st*—*Bennoth*, *Sirius*, *Bronx*, *Ulysses*, *24th*—*Adriatic*, *Argonaut*, *Colombo Maru*, *Glenbrae*, *Deucalion*, *Inaba Maru*, *Nera*, *28th*—*Indrapura*, *Prins Lodewijk*, *Vandalia*, *Watson Maru*.

ARRIVAL AT HOME.

August 27th—*Norman*, *Danfa*.

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Per Glenagle, from Singapore, Mr. H. E. Oliver.

## JOINT STOCK SHARE.

Hongkong, August 30th.

| COMPANY.              | PAID UP. | QUOTATIONS.   |
|-----------------------|----------|---|
| Alambra Banks—        | £1,200   | \$120.  |
| Hongkong & Sh.        | \$125    | \$647; sales £507; sales £400, c.d. £200, paid up £160. |
| National B. of China  | 40       | \$61.   |
| Sell's Asbestos E. A. | 125      | \$6.  |
| China-Borneo Co.      | 12       | \$12.   |
| China Light & P. Co.  | 10       | \$10.   |
| China Provident       | 10       | \$10.00 buyers  |

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From August 31st to 6th September, 1907.

| No. of Weeks. | High Water. | Low Water.        |           |           |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
|               |             | Previos Day.      | On Day.   | On Day.   |
| Sat.          | m. 23 5 7   | ft. in. m. 20 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Sun.          | m. 24 5 8   | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Mon.          | m. 25 5 9   | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Tues.         | m. 26 5 10  | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Wed.          | m. 27 5 11  | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Thurs.        | m. 28 5 12  | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |
| Fri.          | m. 29 5 13  | m. 19 2 1         | m. 19 2 1 | m. 19 2 1 |

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, August 30th.

| Previous Day.  | On Day. | On Day. |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Barometer      | 29.57   | 29.70   |
| Temperature    | 88      | 84      |
| Humidity       | 63      | 61      |
| Wind Direction | W       | WNW     |
| Force          | 1       | 3       |
| Weather        | o       | o       |
| Rain           | —       | 0.27    |

Highest open air Temperature on 29th....92

Lowest open air Temperature on 29th....81

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## BAMBOO CULTURE IN THE UNITED STATES.

## NEW GOVERNMENT PROJECT.

The Washington correspondent of the *Seattle Times* writes as follows concerning the latest industrial project of the United States Government—"Uncle Sam wants the views of furniture and wood manufacturers on the practical use of bamboo in this country. The Department of Agriculture has entered upon a project of introducing Japanese bamboos, and it is expected that the experiment will soon be in full swing. To obtain the introduction of the useful Oriental plant has long been one of the chief ambitions of David Fairchild, agricultural explorer, whose business it is to take the earth with a fine-tooth comb in the interests of American agriculture. Now that he has brought his plans to a focus, Fairchild wants the furniture men to write him what they would tell him whether they have ever experimented with it as a material for manufacturing furniture, whether they have ever previously considered its use; and whether, now that their attention is called to it, they are of the opinion that they can use bamboo as soon as it is placed at their disposal at reasonable cost. His request is worth attention, because he believes that the Government can give the furniture industry a real impetus.

"The growth of bamboo in the United States is not altogether an experiment. The plant is now growing to a very limited extent in California, and there is some as far north as Seattle. But thus far it has been introduced by private parties, and has been grown for ornamental purposes exclusively. The plan of the Government is to bring over, chiefly from China, Japan and India, from 2,000 to 3,000 plants of the species which are grown there for commercial use. It is proposed to place in direct charge of the introduction an American who has been in the Orient ten years, and who has been quite closely in touch with bamboo culture there. He will personally oversee the man gathering his plant. He will obtain them next spring, and will place them in nursery rows until fall. Then in September or October he will pack and ship them to California, coming himself with the shipment. After the plants have been given a short rest, they will be taken to points in the southern part of the country and planted. The exact locations have not been selected, but the States which furnish most favorable conditions of soil and climate are the Carolinas, Georgia, Mississippi, California, Louisiana and Arizona.

"There are thousands of acres of cane brakes in the South, and the so-called 'cane' is the only truly native American species of bamboo in this country. Unfortunately this American form is a thin-walled, worthless plant, and so these thousands of acres of it are being rapidly destroyed. That a better kind of bamboo can be grown where one species already grows luxuriantly is the reasoning of Fairchild, who has himself visited the Southern cane brakes in order that he might examine the conditions under which these great areas of cane grow.

"Fairchild and his associates are sure that bamboo can be grown here in abundance, if they once get started. And right there is the pinch. Once in a period of years, no one knows exactly how many, a bamboo garden will grow a crop so well that the opposition of the labour leaders to it may give rise to fresh troubles of a local order; but it is gratifying to see that the more enlightened classes of the community perceive the unadvised of indulging in a policy which is provocative and unjust.

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The furniture manufacturers in the country have no material which corresponds to bamboo. Willow comes as near as anything else now used in this country, but bamboo is far different from willow. The bamboo is suited to the manufacture of that furniture for which willow is now used, and for many other things besides.

Bamboo in the manufacture of chairs is as light as willow, and it is very much stronger. Sofas can be made from it, as well as baskets, bottle covers, dress suit cases and screens. The Japanese use it for a great variety of purposes. They depend upon it for their chief supply of building material, and they make it in many kitchen utensils. It is as indispensable to them as pine is to Americans, and it could be put in this country to uses for which pine is not suited. For instance, its hollow centre would make it a cheap substitute for iron pipes and rubber hose in carrying water. A bamboo stem can be split down its length, and then spread out flat, making a board of great strength and of tough fibre. In coverage it has high value for slaves. The green shoots of some varieties are highly prized in the Orient as food. Americans find them at first hard to digest, but many Americans who have lived a long time in Japan have become accustomed to them, and make them a part of their regular diet.

Another very important use to which Fairchild says the bamboo could be put in America is in the manufacture of paper. Old Chinese books were made with bamboo paper and they have endured for centuries. With the great increase in this country, and with much of the paper of poor quality, the Government experts figure that a new source of supply is worth getting.

The introduction of bamboo has an important bearing upon the problem of a falling timber supply and reforestation. As a substitute for the ordinary American wood, it has the great advantage of rapid growth and maturity. In spite of its strength and toughness, the bamboo is essentially a grass. It attains full maturity in four years, and yields from ten to twenty crops in the time for American woods to yield one. Moreover, the larger species are of good size. The average American gets his impressions of bamboo from fishing poles, several million of which are annually imported into this country from Japan. Those poles however, are very small affairs compared with the mature commercial bamboos. The larger species are three or four inches in diameter, including, of course, the hollow centre as well as the outer wall. Mr. Fairchild says that the outer walls of which are seven-eights of an inch thick.

In Japan the cultivation of bamboo is pursued by Dr. Chiba, the chief of the Bureau of Forest Management of Japan, is quoted as saying that bamboo is the best-paying plant culture in his country. There it is grown on land which is of small value for the cultivation of rice, and the labour involved in the care of a bamboo garden is not great. The returns vary from \$20 to \$30 per acre, being highest for edible varieties. In this country a demand must be created before bamboo culture can be made profitable at all, and it is because of this element of uncertainty that the Government undertakes the introduction at public expense.

## JAPAN AND REORGANIZATION.

The remarkable statement, which a New York newspaper attributes to President Roosevelt on the projected cruise of the United States battleship fleet, will be read with deep interest by all the friends of Japan, and particularly by Englishmen, who are as allies as well as her friends. It does not, indeed, deny that the fleet may in the end go to the Pacific, but it affirms that no order has been given by the President to the Navy Department to that effect, and that he does not know that any such order has been issued by the General Board. The movements of the fleet, it states, have been under discussion for some time, but this has had nothing whatever to do with the Japanese question. The President has not considered that question as being at all serious, and he has for that reason not ordered the mobilization of the fleet in the Pacific. Its destination has not yet been determined, and absolutely no significance is to be ascribed to plans which were "under way" before the Japanese question arose. The attitude attributed to the President and the Government does not preclude the ultimate despatch of the fleet to the Pacific. It seems, indeed, if carefully read, rather to encourage than to discredit the supposition that the fleet may finally visit those waters. But it reveals a manifested desire to make as little as possible of the eventual movements of the battleships, and it utterly disclaims the bellicose significance which has been freely ascribed to the coming cruise. Both in substance and in tone the present statement stands in marked and happy contrast to others which have lately been made, with or without authority, in American telegram and newspaper articles. It is absolutely peaceful, and as friendly and conciliatory to Japan as Mr. Roosevelt has always declared his to be. It is not the only indication which reaches us to-day that the best opinion in the United States is opposed to the spirit of aggressive Chauvinism, which has played so obtrusive and so mischievous a part in the discussion of the relations between the Republic and the progressive Empire of the Far East. A banquet, we are told, has been arranged in San Francisco at which prominent American and Japanese merchants will discuss the situation in a friendly way, while an important commercial corporation in the same city has declared that it is opposed to any immigration law discriminating against the Japanese, and has recorded its desire that there should be no barrier to the friendliest relations between the two countries. There seem, indeed, to be cogent economic reasons, as well as political reasons, why influential classes in both countries should not wish to shut out even the Japanese coolies. White labour cannot be had to do certain kinds of work, such as fruit picking, on which the prosperity of extensive regions depends. It would be idle to suppose that the opposition of the labour leaders to such a migration will cease, or that it may not give rise to fresh troubles of a local order; but it is gratifying to see that the more enlightened classes of the community perceive the unadvised of indulging in a policy which is provocative and unjust.

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## HYPNOTIC BURGLAR.

## A AMERICAN NOVELTY.

The gentleman burglar, the mollycoddle burglar, the automobile burglar, the yachta man burglar, all these types of ruffians have been eclipsed by the burglar with the hypnotic eye. Americans have heard a great deal lately about this hypnotic eye, but not until recently have they regarded the hypnotic burglar as the most dangerous of all. At first people scoffed at him as a fiction of the imagination, and they would have continued to reject him but for real learned college professors who came forward to declare that hypnotic power was not a monopoly of the righteous, and could, indeed, become a most dangerous asset of the criminal classes.

Professor Munsterburg, of Harvard, went so far as to declare his belief that a certain American criminal now electrocuted had not confessed to the murder of his own free will, but was in all probability innocent, and had been hypnotised into making a false confession. Only a few weeks ago it was alleged that another criminal on trial for his life at Chicago had the hypnotic eye, and used his power to such advantage that the jurymen, who came under his influence quailed before him, and became mysteriously ill. My investigation, however, showed that the stuffy court-room had more to do with the jurymen than the prisoner's mesmerism, but that exception is not taken as rebutting the existence of criminals with undoubtedly hypnotic talent.

The latest instance comes from Cleveland, Ohio. The burglar, dressed in the height of fashion, and gentle in manner and conversation, first appeared at the apartments of Mr. Arthur Croft and represented himself as Mr. Croft at a close friend of his husband. They sat on the veranda and talked for half an hour. He convicted Mrs. Croft that he really was a friend of her absent husband. The burglar returned and found Mrs. Croft again on the veranda. He asked for a drink of water, and when she returned with the glass she found him seated in the parlour, and noticed that the man had a most piercing eye which gave her a peculiar feeling, so she told the police. Then the man arose, made a few passes, and she was dead to the world.

Mrs. McKinney, who occupied the adjoining apartments, saw the stranger quickly leave. Mrs. Croft, on regaining her senses, found that her jewels were gone and her drawers had been ransacked. She values the stolen jewellery at \$200.

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## THE GIFT.

## BY BABY PAIN.

It was in the bad old days, before the making of love was conducted with that due regard to the formalities and to commercial considerations that we now find so charming and civilised. It was springtime, and the world was young, and the sun was shining.

By the footpath on the hillside sat a young shepherd. Beside him were two young lambs with whom he had just started in the business or profession of being a shepherd. The lambs had nothing to do but eat, and they were doing it vigorously. For the time the shepherd had nothing to do but think; and as it was springtime and he and the world were both young, and the sun was shining.

There came a maiden that way. (These shepherds have all the luck.) Her hair was golden and somewhat brief, but curly. She sat down and began to play with one of the lambs. The shepherd joined in the game. After he had caught her round the waist, and kissed her twice on the ear, because that was all she allowed him to get at, said she must be going on.

The shepherd picked up the lamb she had been playing with and put it in his arms.

"What?" she said; "is that for me?"

"Yes," he said, "if you will have it."

"All of it?"

He nodded, laughing. She held up the lamb and kissed it, looking at him with bright eyes as she did so. He took a step nearer, and she ran off, calling back her thanks.

So there was half the flock gone. The shepherd sat down and went on thinking very much what he had been thinking before.

Presto! another maid came that way. (Really, these shepherds are too astonishing!) This maiden had red hair that would have made a painter mad for pure joy, and she had tied it with a blue ribbon; and that blue and that red went together very much better than you suppose.

So the shepherd began to talk to her, without previous introduction, surely, security or preliminary fees. She did not mind the last, because as I have already explained, this was in the bad old days, which I am thankful to say, are now gone for ever. She had grey eyes, and looked far, far more poetical than she ever was. She sat still and listened to the boy's speech of her, which made a pleasant music that spring morning in her ears. Her wide sleeves fell back and showed how beautiful her white arm was.

"I should like to kiss that," said the boy reflectively.

She neither moved nor answered. So he did as he liked. And then she sprang to her feet, for she remembered that she had to go to a neighbouring farmhouse to buy three pounds of bacon exactly like the last. It is a sin and a shame that girls made for poetry should have to do these things. But it occasionally happens.

"Do take that lamb with you," said the shepherd.

"You don't really mean it?" said the girl. But at the same time she undid the blue ribbon from her hair, wherewith to lead it home, and as she fastened it round the lamb's neck she said how sweet it was on him. Her red hair tumbled in a very charming disorder.

"I hate to have to say that she went on to buy bacon it is, unfortunately, true."

Now the shepherd was left with no flock at all, which is generally considered, I believe, to be an irritating thing to happen to a shepherd. Indeed, I see that from this point I cannot with propriety call him a shepherd at all, but I think I shall do it all the same. He heard the last plaintive baa of the lamb die away in the distance, and was not irritated in the least. He was quite content. It was spring-time, and the sun was shining.

Then, walking quite slowly, there came along another maiden. (Oh, alas! poor shepherd!) She looked straight before her, with big brown eyes that were full of wonder and of faith. Her midnight hair fell over her shapely shoulder. She was dressed in rags, and I doubt if she had really received a superior education. To the boy these "defects" meant nothing. He knew that his true love had come at last, and there was a pain in his heart. She passed by him in silence. He ran after her and caught her by the hand.

"Have I found you at last?" he said in a low voice; "oh! my beloved."

This was a little rapid. The girl turned and looked at him, and he was a good sort of boy to look at.

He persuaded her to come and sit by him on the grass and told her that he was a shepherd.

"But you have no flock."

"I had one once," he said. "I had two lambs.

It was a hundred years ago."

"Where are they?"

"A maiden passed this way," he said, "and I gave her one of them."

"And the other?"

"Well, a maiden happened to—"

"I see," she said. "Did you kiss them?"

"It was a hundred years ago," the boy said dreamily.

She seized his hand and bit it. "Now you are punished enough," she said, "since it seems to you a hundred years ago."

"No," he said. "It is my punishment that I have nothing to give to you, whom I love more than all the world."

She turned her head right away from him, as she was talking to someone else, and she said:

"I also have nothing. Yet you have to give what I have to give."

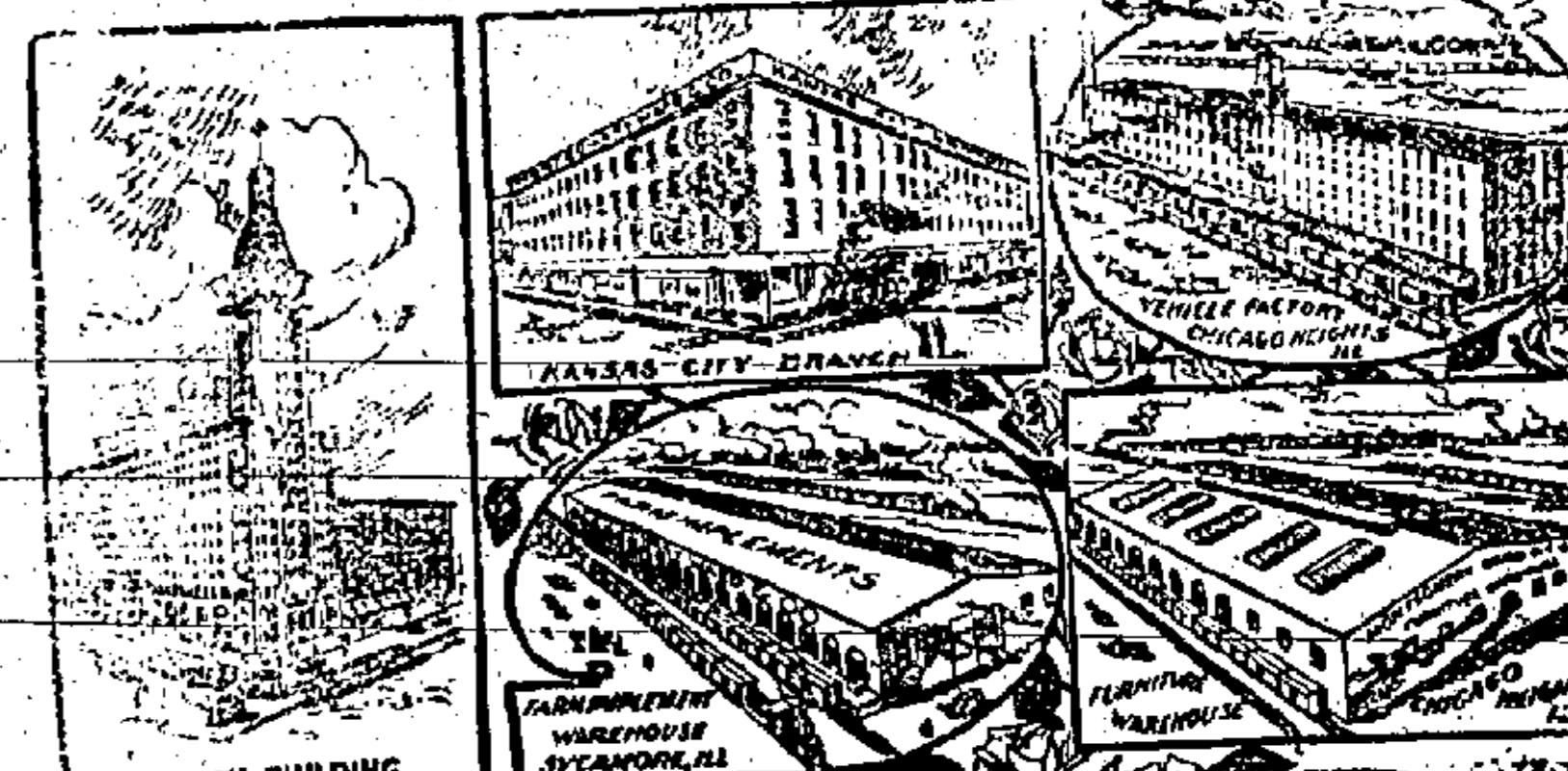
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